

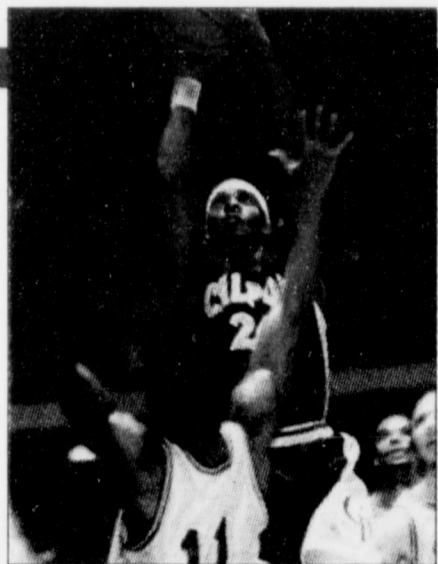
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# Monday, March 12, 2001

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# DAILY

## ASI extends deadline for candidate filing

By Adrenna Benjamin  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

For students who wish to run for an Associated Students Inc. position, the deadline to turn in a candidate election packet has been extended to Wednesday.

The original deadline of March 9 was extended due to a low number of people applying for positions.

"It was mostly extended for the Board of Directors, who have to pick up a packet and write a candidate statement," said Melissa Varcak, chair of the Board of Directors.

Varcak said the jobs available are president, chair of the board and other board positions.

Each candidate running for president or chair of the board must obtain 480 signatures from Cal Poly students and write a mandatory statement.

"I did it last year, and it's not that hard to get the signatures," Varcak said. "Just go around the school and give your friends sheets to fill out and pass around their classes."

Varcak said each candidate must meet certain requirements in order to run for office.

"There is also a mandatory meeting Thursday for candidates running for office," Varcak said. "They will cover all the rules and requirements needed to run."

Veronica Shippy, ASI vice president of statewide affairs, said the meeting will cover campaign rules and position descriptions.

The election committee will go

through the packets at the beginning of spring quarter to make sure candidates fit all the requirements, such as grade point average and the number of units they have completed, Shippy said.

Shippy said students don't have to be involved in ASI to run for office.

"There is a \$10 filing fee," Shippy said. "But then they get it back at the end of elections, in case anything happens."

The president's position requires a large time commitment and the ability to make numerous campus decisions. The chair of the board needs to know parliamentary procedure and how to run meetings. The board is similar to the House of Representatives, and candidates are elected through their college.

"The way Board of Directors works is by the student body electing the chair, and then electing Board of Directors from their college," Varcak said.

The board represents the student body because it is in constant communication with the students, Varcak said.

Election rules have been revised this year because of last year's campaign violation, Varcak said.

► The deadline for filing is Wednesday.

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## Women's hoops fall short

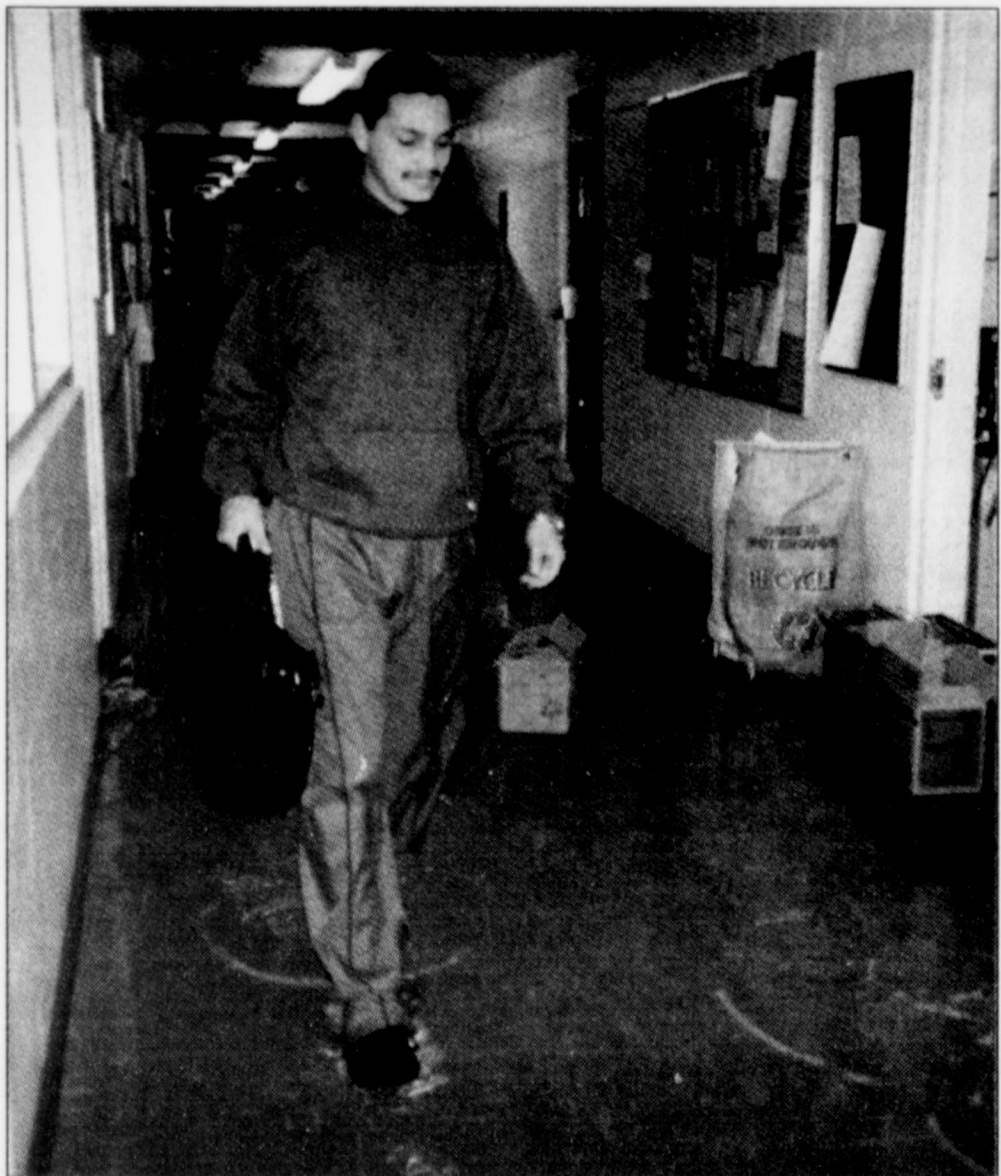


Guard Odessa Jenkins' 15 points was not enough to lead Cal Poly past Long Beach State, who beat the Mustangs 93-68 Saturday afternoon in Anaheim. Jenkins was named to the All-Tournament Team for her play.

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AARON LAMBERT/MUSTANG DAILY

## Hot water, steam flood building



KARIN DRIESEN/MUSTANG DAILY

Sergio Oliva, a general engineering senior, wades through a flooded hallway in the Graphic Arts building Friday after a water heater broke.

By Adam Jarman

MUSTANG DAILY EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Graphics Arts building was evacuated Friday just after 1 p.m. as hot water poured onto the first floor and steam clouded the hallways.

Dennis Elliot, supervisor of engineering services, said that an expansion joint on the water heater had broken, and that the water running down the hall was about 180 degrees when it left the pipe.

He was called immediately to building 26, along with a team of custodians and technicians, to remove the water from the building and stop the flooding.

In some places, the water measured 1 1/2 to 3 inches deep.

Steam from the water settled on the second floor, he said, making it hard to see down the halls.

Elliot said he didn't think the water destroyed anything valuable. He predicted that only some boxes on the floor and some floor tiles would be lost in the accident.

Rose Welch, administrative analyst in the industrial and manufacturing engineering department, said

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## Candidates surface for men's basketball coach

By Matt Sterling

MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

ANAHEIM — Four candidates have emerged for the Cal Poly men's basketball head coaching position, and interim head coach Kevin Bromley is not on the list.

Three of the candidates are assistant coaches at major programs — Jim Saia at UCLA, Jay John at the University of Arizona and Brian Dutcher from San Diego State. The fourth candidate is former NBA head coach Paul Westhead, according to a KSBY report.

"I have not been contacted yet, but I have heard my name being floated out there," Saia said. "I went to school at Cal Poly for two years (1982-84) and have a lot of friends there."

As interim head coach, Bromley went 4-12, with three of those wins coming in Big West conference play. He took over for Jeff Schneider, who resigned on 10 after posting a 70-84 record in his five and a half seasons with the team.

Athletic Director John McCutcheon, when asked at the Big West Tournament about the coaching search, was tight-lipped about the

process.

"We're in the middle of pursuing the position right now," he said. "We're going to try to make a decision as quick as we can to try to finish up recruiting," he said.

Cal Poly has a lot to offer a coach, but there are also drawback, including the loss of four seniors who have played integral parts in the success of the team, such all-time leading scorer Chris Bjorklund, who played his last game in a Cal Poly uniform this weekend. Also, reigning Big West Freshman of the Year Jamaal Scott is uncertain about returning to the team.

After the Mustangs' first-round loss to UC Irvine at the Big West Tournament, Bromley made it known that he would like to return.

"I would love to be the head basketball coach at Cal Poly," Bromley said. "This (situation) has put a lot of stress on me personally. I want to make sure we're in this for the right reasons ... the game of basketball."

Saia is a fifth-year assistant at UCLA, and who currently is the offensive coordinator for the Bruins. John, under the tutelage of Arizona

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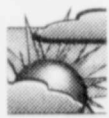
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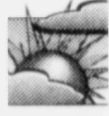
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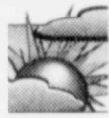
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## COACH

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head coach Lute Olson, focuses on developing the Wildcats' post players.

"If any athletic director called me and had interest in me, I would listen to what he had to say," Saia said.

Westhead compiled a 142-105 record coaching in the NBA. He recently was the head coach for George Mason University in Virginia.

The new coach faces the challenge of filling the void left by Bjorklund and guard Watende Favors, and also must deal with the lack of a recruiting class of just one season ago, where four student-athletes left the program after one season.

The junior college ranks are where university coaches likely turn to fill voids. Players who have spent two years establishing themselves at the junior-college level are the kind of impact players looked for.

McCutcheon was unable to say when the position will be filled, but most of the candidates are busy during the next few weeks as their teams participate in the NCAA Tournament.

"A lot of the people are tied up with tournaments," McCutcheon said. "So there's no timetable as to when we will get it done."

## WATER

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she was coming back to her office on the first floor when the water started coming down the hallway.

"I looked and water was coming from over there," she said, pointing toward the boiler room. "At that point, I called facilities and figured we ought to get out of here."

A smoke alarm in the hallway went off, and people started leaving the building.

"I was sitting at a computer in the lab and the fire alarm went off, and then they were telling us we needed to evacuate," said Cheryl Block, a graphic communications senior.

Ed Naretto, director of facility services, said that the malfunctioned hot water heater was one of two in building 26, and part of the campuswide hot-water loop.

He said the water heater is fed off of the main power plant in nearby building 40. The water from the pump at first is circulated through the building for heating, then a second time as hot water for faucets,

before going back to reheating.

Crews were scheduled to work over the weekend to get the floors dried out, Naretto said.

He did not know exactly why the expansion joint – which held two parts of the system together – failed, but said that it would only take a few hours to fix.

Naretto said a similar incident happened two or three years ago in the Erhart agriculture building. That time, however, a 3-inch pipe that was not soldered together split, he said.

Naretto said that crews would check all other joints in the water circuit.

Bob Pinkin, graphic communications technician, said there may be some damage in the Shakespeare Press Museum, which houses historical press equipment.

"Basically, the damage is from condensation on the ceiling dripping on the machinery," he said, adding that the moisture would cause rust on some of the historic equipment.

"I don't think we are going to lose anything too valuable, though," he said.

## Cal professor caught giving false credits

BERKELEY (AP) — A University of California, Berkeley ethnic studies professor will be barred from teaching next fall as punishment for giving two football players credit for course work they did not do, the San Francisco Chronicle reported Saturday.

Cal's athletic program would also be put on probation for a year and the football team would lose four scholarships under a recommendation by the Pacific-10 athletic conference. The team would also have to forfeit its Sept. 25, 1999 win against Arizona State because of the contributions of Michael Ainsworth and Ronnie Davenport, who both were wide receivers.

Sources close to the investigation told the Chronicle that Professor Alex Saragoza will be suspended from his faculty position for one semester though he will continue teaching this term. Saragoza has been a faculty member at Berkeley since 1979 and also serves as systemwide vice president for educational outreach.

## ELECTION

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Last year, vice presidential candidate Aron DeFerrari put his name in The Greek Column and published his intent to run for office on his Web site before the official open campaign date, causing controversy about the election process. This year, these offenses would be considered against the rules, Varcak said.

"Nothing with your name or announcement can be physically published before open campaign," Varcak said.

Campaigning will start Sunday, April 22, at noon and will end Tuesday, May 1, at 5 p.m.

Varcak said going through the election process prepares a candidate for the ASI position.

"I learned to speak in front of people, how to handle myself, and everything that goes into holding an office like chair of board," Varcak said. "If I didn't go through the election process, I don't think I would have been adequately prepared for it."

Being prepared and knowing what is expected of each individual running for office is what makes a candidate qualified, Varcak said. Candidates who can't handle direction won't be able to handle the positions, Varcak said.

Elections will be held May 2 and 3, and a run-off election, if needed, will be held May 9.

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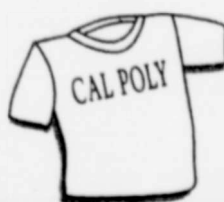
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## Peace talks delayed due to ongoing violence in Israel

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon accused Yasser Arafat's bodyguard unit of carrying out terrorist attacks against Israel and said Sunday it was not possible to hold peace talks with the Palestinian leader in the current climate of violence.

Sharon, who has been in office less than a week, had been restrained and diplomatic when speaking of his longtime rival, and had held out the possibility of an early meeting. But in an interview with the Fox News Channel, the new Israeli leader was sharply critical of Arafat and said no talks were planned.

"Most of the terrorist acts at the present time are carried out by Palestinian armed forces, security services and even the (forces) closest to Arafat, that is, what you call Force 17, the presidential guard," Sharon said.

Sharon said Arafat was in control of the Palestinian security forces and could also crack down on Palestinian militants if he wished.

"But Arafat never took any preventive steps against the infrastructure of the terrorist organizations," Sharon added.

The comments came a day after Arafat told the Palestinian parliament that he was ready to resume peace talks. However, he was also quoted in the Saudi Arabian newspaper Okaz as saying that the Palestinian uprising, or intifadeh, "will continue."

## POLYWEEK

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8 PM POPS CONCERT. Performing Arts Center.

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3 AND 7 PM NEW SHANGHAI CIRCUS. Cohan Center, Performing Arts Center.

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## Smarter people make better voting citizens

I'd like to allow Karl Rove, a senior consultant to President Bush, make my point for me this week. Mr. Rove, if you please: "As people do better, they start voting like Republicans – unless they have too much education and vote Democratic, which proves there can be too much of a good thing."

Maybe I'm angry with Americans in general for cultivating an anti-intelligent society in which Rove's statement is true. Our music is dumb, our movies are dumb, and since the death of our parents' vibrant youth counterculture, our entire country is dumb. After succeeding for more than two centuries by demanding American ingenuity from every citizen, America now not only expects stupidity, but shuns genius. And we start when our kids are young.

Our schools are busy producing a fantastically methodical and boring work force. Indeed, almost everything about school is now the very opposite of genius: zero-tolerance policies, school uni-

### Ethan Pratt

forms, bad science teachers, fewer music, art and language classes; but we'll be damned if we don't have the best prep football program in the world. So what do we expect from kids whose schools strip them of any desire for ingenuity, and install in them a great love of comfort and conformity instead?

Rove's comment that too much education is bad for you didn't set me off just because Americans are dumb and loving it. I think the real reason it upset me is that our country is not uniformly stupid. You remember the electoral map – huge swaths of red Bush states, plowing right through the middle of the country.

The cause of electoral balkanization is simple: States filled with people who appreciate intelligence voted for Gore, while states filled with people who yearn for mental mediocrity voted for Bush. And in case you'd like to know how to avoid the latter type in your travels, remember my helpful guide: Stay out of big, hot, square, racist states. You know the type. Luckily, these "Jerry Springer states" aren't sneaky or sly; you'll know immediately upon entering one that it went for Bush – locals will ooze with the impression that if you're intelligent, "we don't serve your kind here."

You'd never want a jury of your peers selected from these people, and I don't want my president picked by them either.

Actually, that gives me a great idea – why not use a weighted voting system? You could earn points perhaps, by going to college or writing letters to the opinion page, and then your vote would count for a little bit more than that of the average dumb American in the heartland – perhaps we could make it count for three-fifths more.

Karl Rove knows his constituency better than I. But even if he and Bush want to appeal to voters who are "doing better" but not well educated, why should you help them? There is rarely a reason intelligent citizens should vote for the party of uneducated people. The next time you vote, I really hope you vote for whatever the intelligent people want. Or, do as my bumper sticker says: Vote Republican – it's easier than thinking.

Ethan Pratt is a physics senior.

## San Luis Obispo in the spotlight



A couple years ago, a few friends and I went to Hudson's Grill for some late-night grub. I was happily chewing my chicken sandwich when I almost choked on it. Right there, walking in the front door of Hudson's, was the star of "Basic Instinct" herself – Sharon Stone.

My first thought: What is she doing in San Luis Obispo?

Regardless of her reasons for being here, it was my first "star sighting" in San Luis Obispo.

Lately people have been wondering if such star sightings will soon be even more common because of the influx of celebrities supposedly coming to the Central Coast to film their movies.

Some residents may fear that the town will soon be flooded with artificial-faced, big-haired, snotty Hollywood types. I seriously doubt it. But look out; even Cal Poly students are getting caught up in Hollywood fever. Some students were extras in the "Rocky and Bullwinkle" movie, and even more students want to be extras in Mel Gibson's new movie, "We Were Soldiers Once... and Young."

Apparently, Minnie Driver has been spotted around town, and Sandra Bullock will be here in mid-April to shoot her newest movie. I bet the guys around town aren't complaining.

However, some residents may worry that stars filming movies here promotes the area to even more tourists. But is this such a bad thing for our community?

According to the San Luis Obispo County Visitors and Conference Bureau, tourism brought in \$855 million last year to the county. Plus, tourism employs more than 9,000 county residents annually. It seems to me that the tourism industry is helping the area, not harming it.

Other residents concerned about these Hollywood types may fear that the town will soon become a mecca for the entertainment industry. However, many films have already been shot in this area, and I'll bet not many residents had a clue they were in the presence of stars.

For example, scenes from "Commando" were shot here in 1985; "Arachnophobia" and "Payback" used the town in 1990 and 1994, respectively; and most recently, scenes from "The Odd Couple II" were shot here in 1998. I lived here then, and there certainly wasn't a huge commotion over it. I understand that these stars may not have the presence of Sandra Bullock or Mel Gibson, but I doubt much would change if they did come to town for a few days. After all, they'll probably be hiding out to avoid the media.

Of course, then there are those residents who may worry that their well-kept secret (the "SLO life") is becoming too well known to those big-city dwellers looking to escape to a more relaxed environment.

Just because a few stars or directors have discovered the beauty of the Central Coast for their films doesn't

mean tons of people will flock here Gold Rush-style. The stars won't be congregating here by the dozens, and people who watch their movies are most likely only appreciating the scenery, not planning their next move.

Having a bit of Hollywood flavor here in San Luis Obispo is great for the town. It's fun, and people love being able to say things like, "I saw Sharon Stone once."

I enjoyed my star-sighting experience, and I hope to have more like it someday. After all, seeing Mel Gibson walk down the street certainly won't make me mad.

Janelle Foskett is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

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# Schools should do whatever it takes to get kids to talk

To tattle or not to tattle?  
That is the question concerning many American students since some schools have implemented programs that exchange money for information on other problem students.

## Commentary

Opponents of this form of prevention say that it's just a type of bribery. They argue that our students shouldn't be rewarded that way with money. This monetary-reward system doesn't bode well for America's materialistic reputation, they argue.

Some people support the idea that we should keep our mouths shut when we see vandalism or bullies picking on another kid. It's none of our business.

These people are right, to an

extent. I would support a program like this, but to a point. I don't think that giving kids money to name the person who wrote a dirty word on the boy's bathroom wall would be worth the money. It'll cost more to pay out the money than to paint over the bad word.

The real question should be, how much should schools spend trying to prevent on-campus violence and killings? I bet Columbine would spend a lot. So would Santana High School.

There was another shooting in a Pennsylvania parochial school Thursday – two school shootings in three days. It's acts like these that led to the arrests of eight Twentynine Palms teenagers for allegedly plotting their own attacks. Those acts also led to the arrest of a New Jersey honor student for allegedly threatening to

shoot members of a clique. It's surreal to think of how many lives were probably saved by these arrests.

A classmate told her father she had overheard the students in Twentynine Palms talking about their hit list over the past two weeks. She decided to report the students after this week's shootings at Santana. Do we need kids to shoot up their schools every week to see the importance of acting on the visible signs of these warnings?

Santana High School student Vanessa Willis wishes that she did. After the school shooting, Willis said that she didn't believe the shooter's jovial threats of a blood-bath at their school. Despite the shooter's warnings not to go to school on Monday, she didn't say anything.

Those jocular threats turned

into two dead and 13 wounded students.

All three aggressors responsible for Columbine and Santana showed signs before they picked up their guns. To stop these killings, we need to turn hindsight into insight.

Most kids in high school or lower grades are worried about being labeled a tattle-tale. They don't want to get other students in trouble. Heck, they don't want to get themselves in trouble. This is why it's important to increase prevention of these acts as much as possible.

After shootings like the one at Santana, students wish they had said something to somebody. We should use these tragedies to remind people what they can prevent by just raising their hand. I know it's hard, but it's harder to

know that you could have saved lives.

To stop these acts of violence, we need to offer more incentives for people to speak up. It's obvious that they don't see the basic need to speak up – that they could save a life.

In America, we'll shoot someone over a pair of Nikes. Realizing this increase in violence, especially among younger kids, people should know how important it is to say something when they think things aren't right – and we should work our hardest to get them to say something.

Michelle Hatfield is a journalism junior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

# Letters to the editor

## Some minor points about Leviticus Editor,

I would just like to make a few points in response to Bryce Kujala's letter ("If you condemn gays, watch your diet," March 7). First, the Bible does state that pork is "unclean." What is the punishment for eating it? The individual remains unclean until evening ... that's it. If you look at the laws in Leviticus, most of them call for the lawbreaker to be "unclean" for a time. What does that mean? Well, it means they were isolated.

Now, remember, this was way before anyone knew about microorganisms. We tend to forget that, unless cooked properly, pork can make someone quite sick, as can shellfish. Declaring someone "unclean" is a great way to keep infection or disease from spreading. Second, Mr. Kujala gave the impression that the Bible calls for most of these laws to carry the penalty of death. This is incorrect. Most call for a significantly less strict punishment.

As far as sexual stuff goes, a man who sleeps with a woman during her period did NOT face death (Lev 20:18). That penalty was reserved for a specific few infarctions. These included cursing one's parents (and that is actually calling down curses upon them), adultery, sleeping with one's own mother, having sex with an animal, and homosexual acts. (Lev 20:9,10,15-16 and 13, respectively).

Now, as far as the modern-day applicability is concerned, most of the dietary laws no longer apply. Why? Well, Peter was given a vision (Acts 10:9-15) in which the Lord told him not to consider anything He has made "unclean." Also, Jesus Himself said that it is not what goes into a man, but what comes out of him that makes him unclean. (Mark 7:17-23) Now, where does that leave homosexuality? Well, the Bible still says it's wrong, in both the Old AND the New Testament (Lev 18:22, Lev 20:13 and 1 Cor 6:9-10). In 1 Cor 6, it lists the types of people that will not inherit the Kingdom of God, and homosexuals are there. Does that mean they are in any way inferior to Christians or anyone else for that matter? Of course not! People tend to forget that Christianity is not some elite club; we are no better than anyone else. The difference is that we have been saved, by grace, not our own deeds (Eph 2:8-9). I am Christian, but I will not judge someone

because they are homosexual. God, however, will judge, and He is clear about his opinion on the matter.

As for the bacon, sure, take as much as you'd like.

Andrew Cone is an aeronautical engineering junior.

## Don't forgo job to fight weapon making Editor,

This letter is in response to the March 8 letter to the editor titled "Don't let companies woo you from values." I feel that there are some major things wrong with the argument presented by Kevin.

First of all, the question, "Is that nice salary worth the risk that your life work could kill innocent people?" is extreme. You are correct in saying that innocent people do die in war-like situations, which is never a good or right thing. However, many past instances in U.S. history have shown that the making of weapons for war has brought us out of economic turmoil. I'm sure you remember learning that the amount of people employed during World War II was enough to bring the United States out of the Great Depression. Without this production of weapons, who knows where we would be as a country today.

Further, these companies that you mentioned employee thousands of people. If the companies stopped production, these people would be out of a job, and their families would suffer as a result. Are these people to blame for the production of weapons? Can't they be considered innocents? Is it right for them to not have food, clothing and a stable income because you have a problem with the production of weapons?

Secondly: I assume that Kevin is a Democrat because of his comments regarding our new Republican president and his entourage. If this is an off-base assumption, I apologize. This discussion is very similar to abortion opinions. Democrats collectively believe in a women's right to choose, while Republicans think it is morally wrong to have an abortion. Who are Republicans to impose their morals on society? Right? Well, who are you to impose your morals on these college students trying to get a job?

While researching a company is never a bad idea, giving up the opportunity to gain valuable job experience

and pay off your school loans is almost absurd. The only thing you would be gaining by not taking the job would be self-satisfaction (i.e. you can feel better about yourself). It doesn't change what is actually going to happen. One person passing on a job at Boeing because they believe it to be morally wrong to build missiles isn't going to make Boeing stop making missiles. There are better ways to get your message heard if you truly have a moral dilemma about weapon manufacturing.

Write Congress or contact an organization that supports your cause. These are far less ridiculous ways of being proactive.

Jessica Williamson is an architecture freshman.

## Stop arguing with Mike Sullivan Editor,

Mike Sullivan – his name appears in practically every Mustang Daily, challenging the Christians and fighting for homosexuality. The man must have the Mustang Daily's e-mail in his address book. Originally, reading columns and letters by Sullivan would conjure images of a militant mob of homosexuals demanding that Dr. Laura be taken off the radio for offending their liberal viewpoint.

The more I thought about it, however, the more I realized that people attempting to refute Sullivan's articles were only kidding themselves. It is impossible to prove him wrong. Let me put it this way. Sullivan challenges anyone to put morality aside and come up with one good reason against homosexuality. It cannot be done. It is impossible, without using the Bible, to explain why homosexuality is wrong. Why do people even bother?

But it is also equally foolish to disagree with the Bible, like Scott Meyers tried to do ("Allow Gay Marriages," March 9) when he said that the word of God is ambiguous and vague. Allow me to paraphrase what Meyers had to say about the Bible: There are no passages in the Bible where homosexual marriage is condemned (which is true), and furthermore, if there is an absolute deity that made the universe, he would never make his desires clear to mankind – his wishes would appear as muddled and inconsistent at best (which is not true). Another ingenious argument states that Jesus never said anything against homosexuality. Of course this is correct; we have no records of Him opposing homosexuality.

To both of these arguments I have but to say that Jesus was an Orthodox Jew. What do you think his view of homosexuality was? Lastly, we don't get the word "sodomy" from Sodom because it was unclear if he actually practiced homosexuality. Veiled reference, HA!

Stop being children. With everyone perpetuating an argument, we will never be able to get along with one another like we should.

Phillip Comer is an electrical engineering freshman.

## You panned an outstanding play Editor,

I am writing in response to the abysmal review given to the production of "I Hate Hamlet" by Adam Jarman ("Not much to love in 'Hamlet' performance," March 8). The first thing that popped into my mind upon completing the article was, "This man has no idea what he is talking about." Not only does Mr. Jarman show that he knows nothing about theater, he likewise shows that he has no taste.

To begin with, he calls Brian Ward's performance mediocre, something I must disagree with. Ward pulls off a very good characterization of an out-of-work actor, and does a marvelous job of showing the progression from a shallow West Coast star to a troubled East Coast actor. In addition, his on-stage chemistry with Barrymore (Sellars) is wonderful, each of them acting as a superb foil for the other. Mr. Jarman claims that this is a result of the writer's creativity. A writer can only take you so far; the actors must do the rest. Were you to simply read the script, many jokes and puns would be lost since without the physical movement and stage presence brought by all the actors, they're just words.

Next, Jarman decided to take a knock at professor Michael Malkin, saying "the production suffered from poor directing," and that the play was "nothing more than a disappointment." This I take as a great insult. Dr. Malkin is a nationally recognized writer and director and one of the most valuable members of the theater department. He has done a wonderful job with this production, not only with the directing but with the blocking as well. The actors move about the stage, up and down the staircase, flowing in and out of the room, between furniture, and in some cases on top of it. True, this does not seem like anything

spectacular in itself, but the wonderful thing is that it works. Well. Few directors I have worked with or seen will clutter their sets as Doc and Tim have for fear that the actors can get lost. Yet professor Malkin manages to not only keep the characters looking realistic, but also to keep them feeling realistic. How "over the top" do you think Barrymore would have been without Dr. Malkin coaching him? Do you think Rally would have been able to just come up with his final bow? Not without a good director. But then again, if anyone were able to say Doc is a poor director, it would be you. After all, like knows like, and we've all seen how well Mustang Daily is run.

Yet another thing that puzzles me about the review is this: What about Gary? Perhaps Jarman was too busy sleeping in his seat or simply not bright enough to notice that there is another character in this production. True, it's easy to lose the smaller roles in productions with large casts, but I would hardly call six people large. Seeing as he managed to critique all five of the other actors, yet missed Nate (I still don't know how you do that) I think Mr. Jarman might want to work on his observation skills. Maybe then he'll be able to write something that can pass for a decent review. One that doesn't include gross errors, such as incorrect ages among the cast (Sara is a sophomore, not a junior).

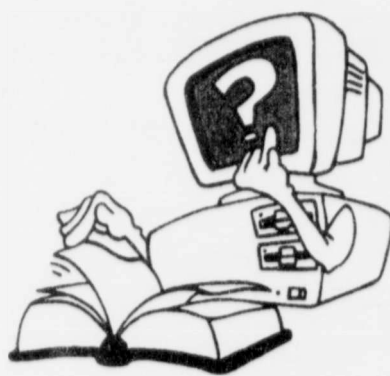
Finally, I would like to ask a question of you, Adam Jarman: Would you kindly fill your readers in on your obviously extensive theatrical background. I have starred in four main-stage productions, three one-act productions, two summers of children's theater, and placed in multiple monologue and one-act competitions. For someone to make such broad and sweeping accusations and negative remarks about this production, they must either have a marvelous background in theatrical works, or simply be highly uneducated and lacking any sort of taste as well. But, given that you seem to regard "Addams Family Values" and "In and Out" as great works of cinema, and believe that spending time watching the latest trash straight from Hollywood beats a real theater experience, it's fairly obvious which it is.

Jared Chase is a theater arts freshman.



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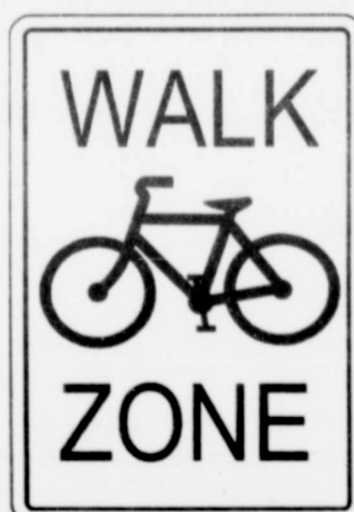
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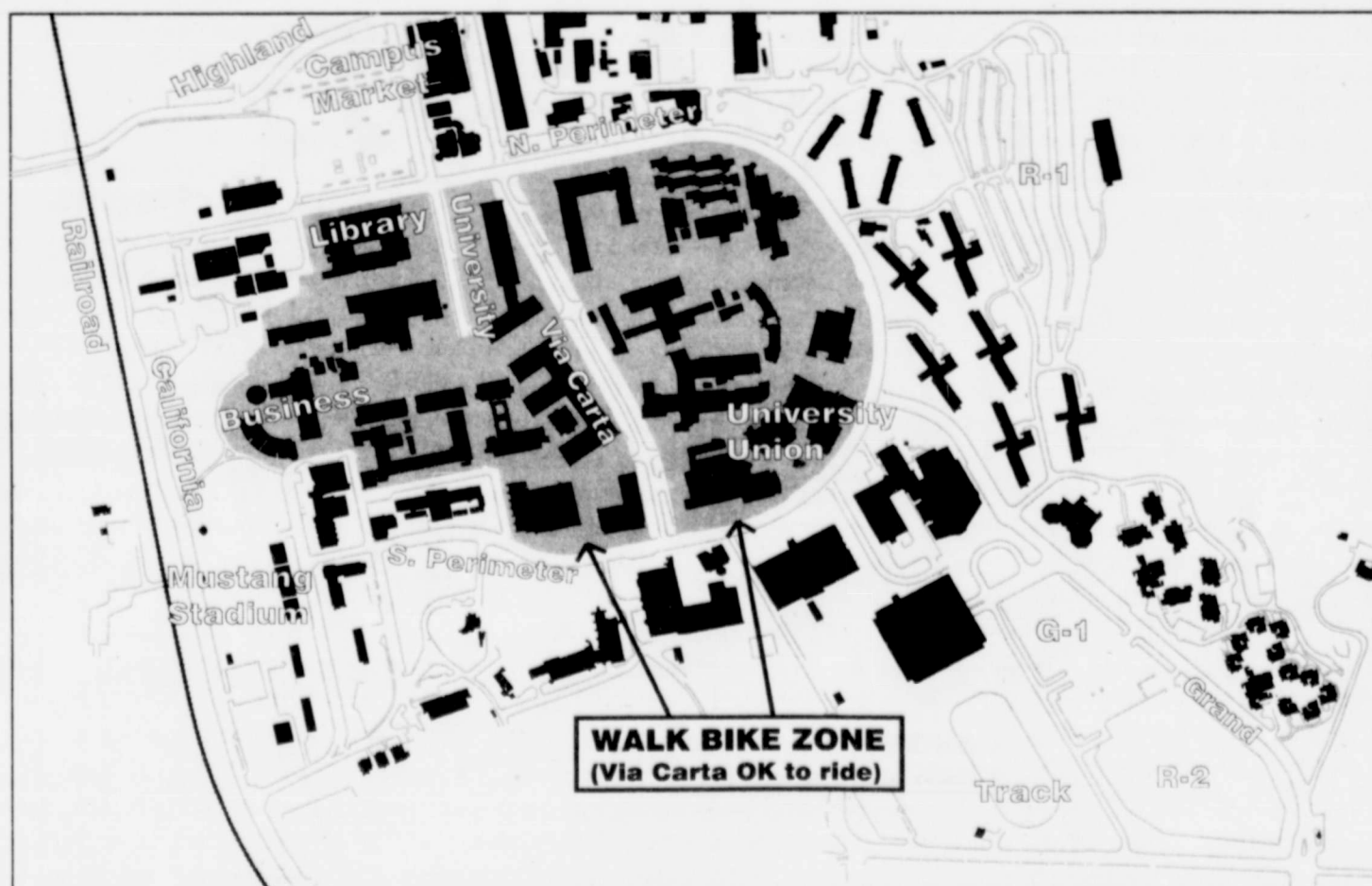


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lead to 43-32 going into halftime.

The two teams seesawed throughout the first four minutes of the second half, with Cal Poly cutting the lead to seven before Long Beach pushed it to 20 at 66-46.

Mimnaugh said Long Beach was a team with one goal in mind.

"They were on a mission, they wanted to get to the championship game and they want to win a championship," she said.

The Mustangs and 49ers used a full-court press defense for portions of the game to varying degrees of success. Cal Poly coughed up the ball 24 times to Long Beach's 18, and Jenkins had six of those turnovers.

Bolla had high praise for the Mustangs' intense play.

"All year long, we talked to our team

about needing to play as hard as Cal Poly," she said. "They come out every game, win or lose, up or down - they never quit."

Mimnaugh wasn't disappointed about the effort the Mustangs' gave and was instead focusing on the positive.

"I know the whole town of San Luis Obispo and Cal Poly is very, very proud," she said. "I know President Baker is very proud of the effort that our players gave in order to get the first Big West Conference Tournament win ever in the history of our school."

Game notes: At tip-off, the members of the Cal Poly spirit squad (cheerleaders, dance team and band) and men's basketball team nearly outnumbered the fans in the cavernous Anaheim Convention Center. Long Beach State advanced to the championship game, where it fell to UC Santa Barbara 79-76. It was the last game for seniors Stephanie Osorio and Jennifer Sorosky, who averaged a combined 11.6 points per game this season for the Mustangs.

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and scored seven points, as well as pulling down five rebounds.

Cal Poly controlled the glass in both halves, ending the game with a 46-37 rebounding edge. Eighteen of those 47 rebounds were offensive, giving the Mustangs a huge edge in shots taken. In fact, Cal Poly took 69 shots compared to Irvine's 51.

Green was held scoreless for the first six minutes, but after his early silence, he reeled off Irvine's next 10 points. His 31 points were four off his career-high 35 that he poured in against the Mustangs on Feb. 17.

After Irvine took a 33-28 lead, Cal Poly seemed to gain the momentum back with a Bjorklund jumper to cut the lead to three. But Green and the Anteaters had time for one last play to end the half, and Green hit a 3-pointer to give Irvine a 36-30 lead going into halftime, which sent the mostly pro-Irvine crowd into a frenzy.

Scott never found his offensive stroke but contributed on the defensive end, collecting seven rebounds.

"I just couldn't get it there offensively, so defensively I had to step it up," he said. "I was hoping I could

contribute that way since I wasn't contributing on the other side."

The win pushed Irvine's record to 25-3, which sets a new school record for wins. They were defeated in a semifinal matchup by Pacific, which narrowly defeated UC Santa Barbara 71-69 in overtime. Utah State downed Pacific in Saturday night's championship game 50-38 to gain the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

Game notes: With the 23 points he scored against Irvine, Bjorklund finished his career as Cal Poly's all-time leading scorer with 2,009 points. Cal Poly's band, cheerleaders and dance team were on hand to bring the feel of Mott Gym to the Anaheim Convention Center. Even Musty the Mustang made the trip to Anaheim. With Irvine a mere 30 minutes from the game site, the Anteaters' cheering section was packed with supporters, and a few hecklers took seats behind the Cal Poly bench. The Cal Poly women's basketball team also had prime first-row seats behind the Mustangs' bench. An ongoing battle took place during the timeouts, as the Irvine and Cal Poly bands and cheerleaders duelled from opposite sides of the court.

## SCOTT

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game this season, along with 5.9 rebounds. The top-scoring freshman in the Big West also blocked 30 shots, which led the Mustangs.

"Well, I'm going to evaluate all this when I'm with my parents, close friends and family, and I'm going to see where everything's going," he said. "We'll see what happens. We have a great nucleus of people coming back next year, and I like the people here, and I'm going to sit down and figure out what I want to do."

Scott, the 2000 Arizona High School Player of the Year, was highly recruited by former Cal Poly head coach Jeff Schneider.

He was expected to be the foundation that the Mustangs could build upon for the next three seasons, after all-time leading scorer Chris Bjorklund graduates this spring.

If he leaves, it will mark the fifth student-athlete who has left the men's basketball program in two seasons. Jason King, John Hoffart, Mark Campbell and Brandon Hulst all left the Mustangs for varying reasons last season.

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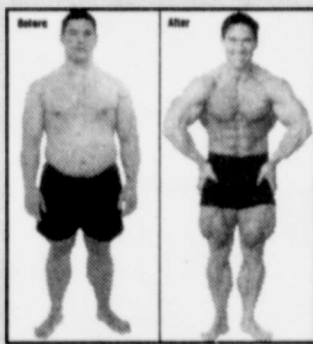
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# Long Beach State handles Mustangs

## Cal Poly falls to 49ers for second time this season

By Matt Sterling

MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

ANAHEIM – For the first 10 minutes against Long Beach State in the Big West Conference tournament semifinals, Cal Poly women's basketball team played like the team that defeated the 49ers earlier this season and ended UC Santa Barbara's 49-game conference winning streak.

Long Beach State then scored 19 of the next 20 points and cruised to a 93-68 victory to advance to the conference championship game.

All-Tournament team guard Odessa Jenkins had 15 points to lead the Mustangs, but had to take a seat on the bench during the first-half run due to foul trouble.

During the nearly eight-minute stretch that the Mustangs didn't score, Long Beach was playing nearly flawless basketball.

"I think it was us not really finding a rhythm," Jenkins said. "I think that kind of takes you out of your rhythm when you can't pick up points or get offensive rebounds."

Long Beach's transition game led to

easy baskets on the fast break. Forward Ekuah Ramsey was often the recipient of the easy looks at the basket, and she finished with a game-high 24 points.

"The one aspect of the game that I thought we would do better at was covering their transition game," said Cal Poly head coach Faith Mimnaugh. "They would release Ramsey every single time down the court, and we weren't able to cover her."

Long Beach knew that the Mustangs could beat them, as shown by Cal Poly's 72-62 victory on March 1, so the fact that Cal Poly was the No. 6 seed didn't affect the game. Long Beach came into the tournament as the No. 2 seed.

"I think the last time we played Cal Poly we overlooked them," said guard Tamara Inoue. "We weren't playing the passing lanes or being aggressive on the ball. This game we said that we just can't do that again."

Long Beach State head coach Dallas Bolla chalked the victory up to execution of their game plan.

"I think the difference between this

and the other two games we played against them was we finally played our game," Bolla said.

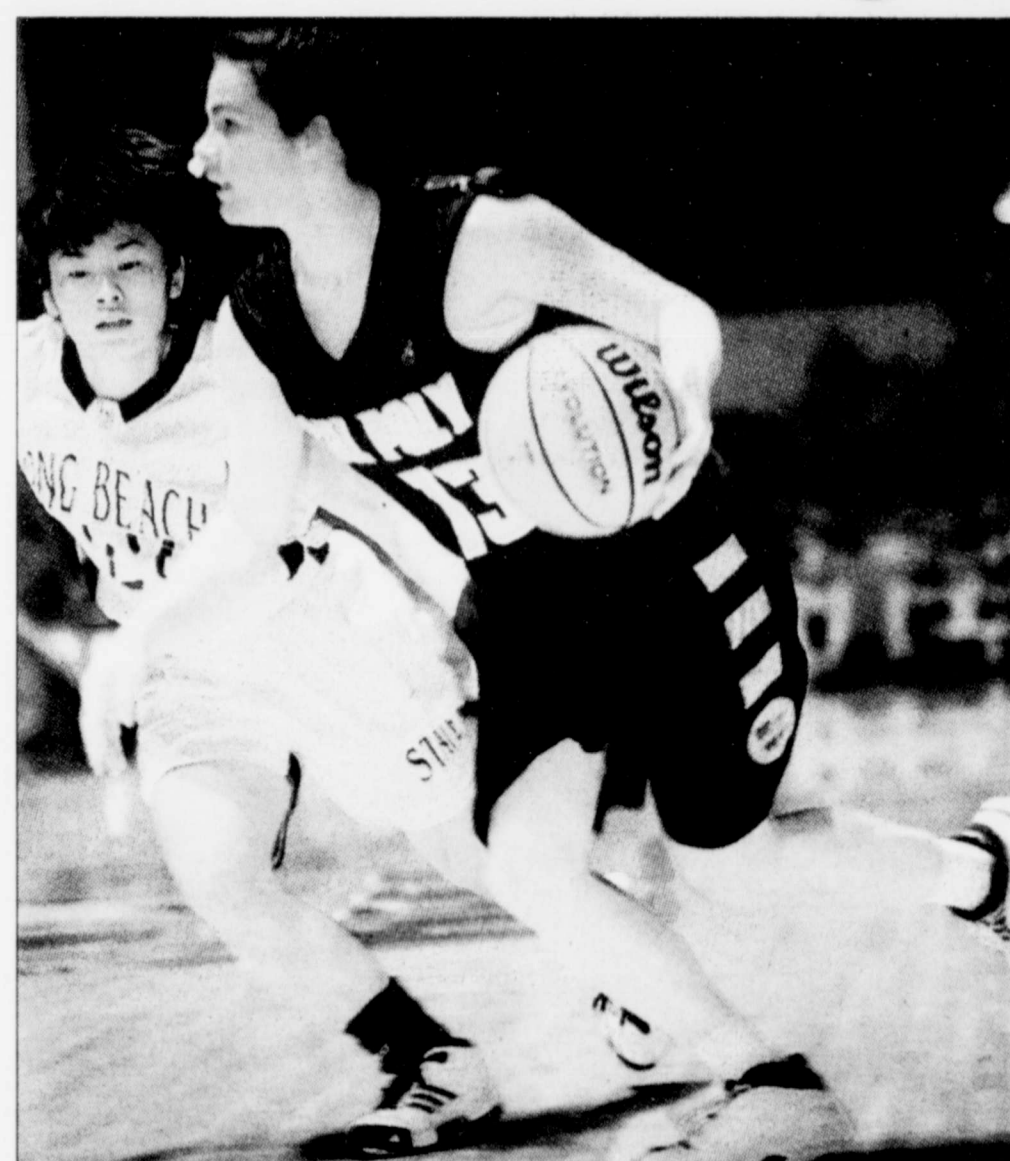
Guard Kristy Baker hit back-to-back 3-pointers to give the Mustangs an early 10-8 lead. Besides those jump shots, nearly all of Cal Poly's early shots were taken near the basket, as Jenkins drove early and often at the basket.

But when Jenkins took a seat on the bench after her second foul with 8:19 left in the first half, she took the Mustangs' offense with her.

Long Beach then reeled off 15 straight unanswered points – and didn't look back.

"That was a good run," Bolla said. "Our goal was to not let them run their offense."

When Jenkins returned, she led a 12-4 Mustang push to trim the deficit, converting on a three-point play and dishing to guard Paige Billingsley, who scored a three-point play of her own. Baker hit an 18-foot jumper to cut the



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see WOMEN, page 7 Guard Kari Duperron provided a spark off the bench for Cal Poly.

# Green tames Cal Poly for third time

By Matt Sterling

MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

ANAHEIM – When the Mustangs looked up at the scoreboard after its 71-66 loss to UC Irvine in the first round of the Big West Tournament, they also saw one other number – 31.

That 31 was the number of points scored by Big West Player of the Year Jerry Green, as the Anteaters defeated the Mustangs for the third time this season behind a two-pronged attack by Green and Sean Jackson, who had 15 points on five 3-pointers.

Fifty of the Mustangs' 66 points were scored by two seniors – guard Watende Favors and forward Chris Bjorklund. With forward Jeremiah Mayes' four points and guard Michael Burris' three points added to the total, that makes 86 percent of Cal Poly's points made by players who will graduate this spring.

"This is the last time I will wear this uniform, and it's very difficult to think of right now," Bjorklund said.

Guard Jamaal Scott, Big West Freshman of the Year, was held to two



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Forwards James Grace, left, and Varnie Dennis react to Thursday's game.

points – both on free throws – which is more than 13 points below his average.

"I just didn't make the shots," he said. "Every player just has a game where you can't hit, and it was the biggest game, and I couldn't hit."

Bromley said he went into the

game knowing that Green would at least score his average (19 points), and his focus was on containing the other Anteaters who had a potential to hurt the Mustangs.

"It was a very good basketball game," Bromley said. "Both teams played at a very high level. We had a

tough time stopping Jerry Green."

Part of Green's 31 points was four 3-pointers, along with 13 of 14 converted free throws. Six of those free throws were during the final minutes of the game, when Cal Poly was fouling to try to claw its way back into the game.

"Coach always tells me to take what the defense gives me," Green said. "They were leaving me open at the three, and so I had to take it."

Favors gave the Mustangs their biggest lead of the game with a 3-pointer that pushed the score to 47-43 with 13 minutes left in the second half. That polished off a personal eight-point run by the senior guard, but he was held scoreless for the next 10 minutes.

"UCI saw that I had the hot hand, so they made adjustments," Favors said. "I wasn't making myself available."

Forward Varnie Dennis, whose knee was keeping him to limited practice this week, played 25 minutes

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## Scott may

By Matt Sterling

MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

ANAHEIM – Big West Freshman of the Year Jamaal Scott had some disturbing news for Cal Poly basketball fans when interviewed after the Mustangs' 71-66 loss to Irvine Thursday night.

He might not be coming back to Cal Poly.

When asked if there was a question mark as to if he would be returning to the team next season, Scott said, "There might be, there might be one."

Scott had arguably his worst game of the season against Irvine, scoring only two points and missing all seven of his field-goal attempts.

He averaged 15.2 points per

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## Sports Trivia

### Friday's Answer:

Bill Russell played college basketball at the University of San Francisco.

Congrats Joel Bigalow!

### Today's Question:

Who won the Cracker Barrel 500 on Sunday?

Please submit sports trivia answer to: [mrsterli@calpoly.edu](mailto:mrsterli@calpoly.edu)  
Please include your name. The first correct answer received via e-mail will be printed in the next issue of the paper.

## Scores

### BASEBALL

Columbia  
Cal Poly

2  
3

Columbia  
Cal Poly

4  
5

Columbia  
Cal Poly

2  
8

Columbia  
Cal Poly

1  
5

Columbia  
Cal Poly

3  
4

### SOFTBALL

Cal Poly  
UCLA

1  
9

Cal Poly  
New Mexico State

5  
3

Cal Poly  
DePaul

1  
2

Cal Poly  
Oregon State

3  
2

Cal Poly  
Fresno State

3  
4

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Cal Poly  
Long Beach State

68  
93

## Briefs

### Poly's Jenkins named to All-Tournament Team

ANAHEIM – Guard Odessa Jenkins added to her impressive list of achievements Saturday when she was named to the 2000 Big West All-Tournament Team.

Jenkins, who also received a spot on the Big West Conference second team, was the catalyst for a Cal Poly team that came in as the No. 6 seed and upset the No. 3 University of Pacific 79-76 in overtime in the first round of the tournament. She had 19 points, four rebounds, three assists and two steals in the win over the Tigers.

In the second round, the Mustangs ran into a hot-shooting Long Beach State team that went on a 20-1 run in the first half and fell 93-68. Jenkins had 15 points and five assists, but was plagued with foul trouble and fouled out late in the game.

Big West Tournament champion UC Santa Barbara had three players named to the team, with MVP Rachelle Rogers joined by Nicole Greathouse and Lindsay Taylor. Runner-up Long Beach State filled the other two spots, with Ekuah Ramsey and Jackie Moore receiving honors.

Jenkins was the only player who received a nod for the conference team without playing in the championship game.